

Post Office Box 752
Columbia, South Carolina 29202-0752
Telephone: 803/401-2900
Fax: 803/254-1731
E-mail: caroline.watson@bellsouth.com

IPager: cwatson2@imcingular.com

P 3-2217-11

Caroline N. Watson General Counsel - South Carolina

Street Address: 29669 1600 Williams Street, Suite 5200 Columbia, South Carolina 29201

March 21, 2002

The Honorable Gary E. Walsh Executive Director Public Service Commission of SC Post Office Drawer 11649 Columbia, South Carolina 29211 RECEIVED

MR 21 PH 4 40

SC PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION

MANUALLUERA

Re: Application of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. to Provide In-Region InterLATA Services Pursuant to Section 271 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 Docket No. 2001-209-C

Dear Mr. Walsh:

Enclosed please find for filing an original and 15 copies of BellSouth's Response to Petition for Reconsideration and/or Clarification of AIN and Nuvox. By copy of this letter, I am serving all parties of record with a copy of this pleading as indicated on the attached Certificate of Service.

Sincerely,

Caroline N. Watson

CNW/nml Enclosure

cc: All Parties of Record

BEFORE THE

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA DOCKET NO. 2001-209-C Application of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. To Provide In-Region InterLATA Services RESPONSE TO Pursuant to Section 271 of the) PETITION FOR Telecommunications Act of 1996) RECONSIDERATION

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.'S RESPONSE TO PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION AND/OR CLARIFICATION OF AIN AND NUVOX

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") hereby responds to the Petition for Reconsideration and/or Clarification of Access Integrated Networks ("AIN") and Nuvox Communications and states as follows:

A. Language On UNE Combinations

AIN and Nuvox seek reconsideration of an inconsistency that does not exist. The Commission was explicit in its UNE Cost Order that BellSouth has no legal obligation to combine for CLECs at cost-based rates UNEs that are not currently combined in BellSouth's network. The Commission stated that "[w]e do not waiver from that decision on legal grounds." In its Section 271 Order, the Commission reiterated the legal grounds that make clear that BellSouth is not obligated to provide CLECs with new combinations at cost-based rates.

That being said, for policy reasons to promote increased competition, the Commission in the UNE Cost Docket ordered that BellSouth must provide new combinations at cost-based rates. In the subsequent Section 271 Order, the Commission explicitly referred back to the UNE Cost Order and the language contained therein when it addressed this issue. This express deferral to the UNE Cost Order indicates that the

Section 271 Order does not in any way modify the UNE Cost Order. Thus, the Commission need not clarify the Section 271 Order.

B. Filing The IPP

BellSouth will file the IPP when it files its SGAT or at such other time as the Commission deems appropriate.

C. Monthly Performance Data

In its Petition, the petitioners suggested that BellSouth post the performance data on a web site. BellSouth has posted its performance data on the Internet at (http://www.interconnection.bellsouth.com/mss/index.html) for a number of years and will continue to do so. This is the most efficient means for all parties to review BellSouth's performance data. Consequently, BellSouth respectfully requests that the Commission decline to modify this process.

This 21st day of March, 2002.

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.

Caroline N. Watson

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. Suite 5200 - 1600 Williams Street Columbia, South Carolina 29201

(803) 401-2900

Fred J. McCallum, Jr. Lisa S. Foshee BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. Suite 4300 – BellSouth Center 675 West Peachtree St., N.E. Atlanta, Georgia 30375 (404) 335-0729 William F. Austin AUSTIN, LEWIS & ROGERS Post Office Box 11716 Columbia, South Carolina 29211 (803) 256-4000

ATTORNEYS FOR BELLSOUTH

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF RICHLAND

) CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned, Nyla M. Laney, hereby certifies that she is employed by the Legal Department for Bellsouth. Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") and that she has caused BellSouth's Response to Petition for Reconsideration and/or Clarification of AIN and Nuvox in Docket No. 2001-209-C, to be served by the method indicated below upon the following this March 21, 2002:

Elliott F. Elam, Jr., Esquire S. C. Department of Consumer Affairs 3600 Forest Drive, 3rd Floor Post Office Box 5757 Columbia, South Carolina 29250-5757 (Consumer Advocate) (U. S. Mail and Electronic Mail)

L. Hunter Limbaugh, Esquire 1426 Main Street Suite 1301 Columbia, South Carolina 29201 (AT&T) (U. S. Mail and Electronic Mail)

Florence P. Belser, Esquire
Deputy General Counsel
S. C. Public Service Commission
Post Office Box 11649
Columbia, South Carolina 29211
(PSC Staff)
(U. S. Mail and Electronic Mail)

Russell B. Shetterly, Esquire Haynsworth Sinkler Boyd, P.A. 1201 Main Street Suite 2400 Columbia, South Carolina 29201-3226 (Knology of Charleston and Knology of South Carolina, Inc.)

(U. S. Mail and Electronic Mail)

Darra W. Cothran, Esquire
Woodward, Cothran & Herndon
1200 Main Street, 6th Floor
Post Office Box 12399
Columbia, South Carolina 29211
(MCI WorldCom Network Service, Inc.
MCI WorldCom Communications and
MCImetro Access Transmission Services,
Inc.)

(U. S. Mail and Electronic Mail)

John F. Beach, Esquire
John J. Pringle, Jr., Esquire
Beach Law Firm
1321 Lady Street, Suite 310
Post Office Box 11547
Columbia, South Carolina 29211-1547
(Resort Hospitality Services, Inc.,
NuVox Communications, Inc. and AIN)
(U. S. Mail and Electronic Mail)

Marsha A. Ward, Esquire Kennard B. Woods, Esquire MCI WorldCom, Inc. Law and Public Policy 6 Concourse Parkway, Suite 3200 Atlanta, Georgia 30328 (MCI)

(U. S. Mail and Electronic Mail)

Frank R. Ellerbe, Esquire
Bonnie D. Shealy, Esquire
Robinson, McFadden & Moore, P.C.
1901 Main Street, Suite 1500
Post Office Box 944
Columbia, South Carolina 29202
(NewSouth Communications Corp., SCCTA and SECCA and KMC Telecom III, Inc.)
(U. S. Mail and Electronic Mail)

Genevieve Morelli
Andrew M. Klein
Kelley, Drye & Warren, LLP
1200 19th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20036
(KMC Telecom III, Inc.)
(U. S. Mail and Electronic Mail)

John D. McLaughlin, Jr.
Director, State Government Affairs
KMC Telecom, Inc.
1755 North Brown Road
Lawrenceville, GA 30043
(KMC Telecom)
(U. S. Mail and Electronic Mail)

Jack H. Derrick
Senior Attorney
141111 Capital Blvd.
Wake Forest, NC 27587-5900
(Sprint/United Telephone)
(U. S. Mail and Electronic Mail)

Scott A. Elliott, Esquire Elliott & Elliott 721 Olive Street Columbia, South Carolina 29205 (Sprint/United Telephone) (U. S. Mail and Electronic Mail)

Marty Bocock, Esquire
Director of Regulatory Affairs
1122 Lady Street, Suite 1050
Columbia, South Carolina 29201
(Sprint/United Telephone Company)
(U. S. Mail and Electronic Mail)

Faye A. Flowers, Esquire Parker Poe Adams & Bernstein LLP 1201 Main Street, Suite 1450 Columbia, South Carolina 29202 (US LEC)

(U. S. Mail and Electronic Mail)

William R. Atkinson, Esquire 3100 Cumberland Circle Cumberland Center II Atlanta, Georgia 30339-5940 (Sprint Communications Company L.P.) (U. S. Mail and Electronic Mail) Andrew O. Isar Director - State Affairs 7901 Skansie Avenue, Suite 240 Gig Harbor, WA 98335 (ASCENT)

(U. S. Mail and Electronic Mail)

Nanette Edwards, Esquire ITC^DeltaCom Communications, Inc. 4092 S. Memorial Parkway Huntsville, Alabama 25802 (U. S. Mail and Electronic Mail)

Timothy Barber, Esquire
Womble, Carlyle, Sandridge & Rice
3300 One First Union Center
301 South College
Suite 3300
Charlotte, North Carolina 20202
(AT&T)

(U. S. Mail and Electronic Mail)

Thomas Lemmer, Esquire McKenna & Cuneo, LLP 370 Seventeenth Street, Suite 4800 Denver, CO 80202 (AT&T)

(U. S. Mail and Electronic Mail)

Traci Vanek, Esquire McKenna & Cuneo, LLP 1900 K Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20006 (AT&T)

(U. S. Mail and Electronic Mail)

Tami Azorsky, Esquire McKenna & Cuneo, LLP 1900 K Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20006 (AT&T)

(U. S. Mail and Electronic Mail)

Michael Hopkins, Esquire McKenna & Cuneo, LLP 1900 K Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20006 (AT&T)

(U. S. Mail and Electronic Mail)

William Prescott, Esquire 1200 Peachtree Street, N.E. Suite 8100 Atlanta, Georgia 30309 (AT&T) (U. S. Mail and Electronic Mail)

John A. Doyle, Jr., Esquire
Parker, Poe, Adams & Bernstein, L.L.P.
150 Fayetteville Street Mall, Suite 1400
Raleigh, North Carolina 27602
(US LEC of South Carolina)
(U. S. Mail and Electronic Mail)

Myla M. Lang

PC Docs # 401224